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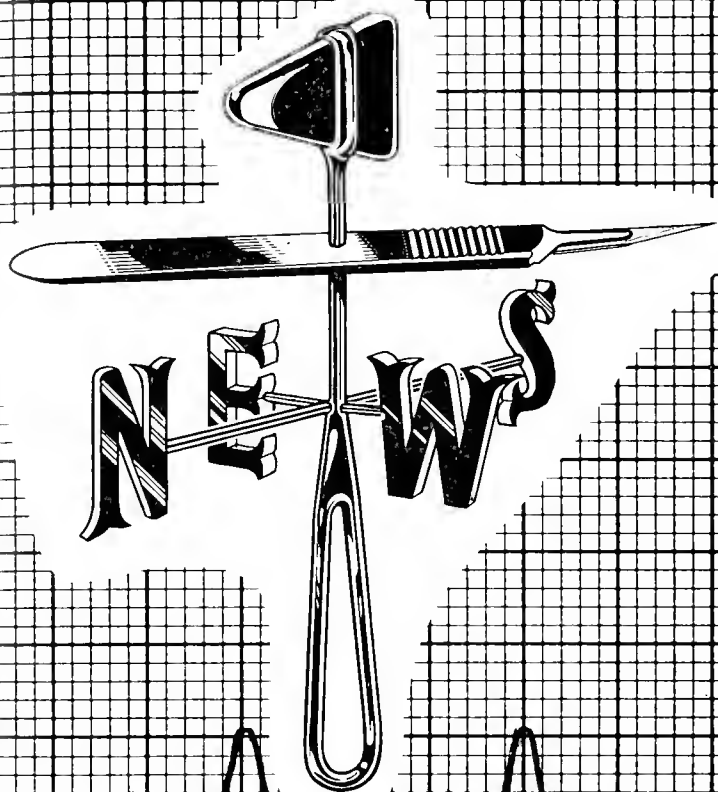
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From the Desk of the President

It was a pleasure to see so many of our Medical Society members at our April meeting. They may have come by reason of curiosity, or wanting to see who is in the Society or by reason of the speaker's subject:—"The Pathogenesis of Traffic Deaths." Those who came were not disappointed. They heard an excellent speaker who presented his subject material in a most dramatic but forthright manner. By the end of his talk we were all convinced that seat belts should be used, that car manufacturers could be more vigorous in making their cars more safe, and that somehow much more should be done to make drivers safer.

We were all impressed with the figures presented. No one would minimize their magnitude. Such is the *Noisy Killer!*

By the same token what are we doing about the *Silent Killer*, cancer, which kills so many more than do cars? Sure, we are all more aware of the fact that cancer is becoming more frequent these days. We examine for it; we test for it. Beyond that what do we do? Is there more we can do? I speak of us as a group not as individuals.

Surely, there are none of us today who does not admit that there is a very definite relationship between smoking and the frequency of occurrence of malignancy. We all know that a smoker's chances of developing a malignancy are about three times as great as are those of his non-smoking friend. Every six months the U.S. Public Health Service issues the latest figures on this relationship and they steadily get worse. Of course, the Tobacco Research Institute, which might be suspected of being biased, quickly makes its refutation of the U.S.P.H.S. figures, but when one closely inspects the T.R.I. report, one can readily see imperfections in the data.

What can we do to help? Obviously, we can stop smoking. Many of us have already done this, but too many are still smoking. This is especially true of our younger physicians, particularly internes and residents—who apparently feel that it can't happen to them. Let them not lose sight of the fact that they are within a decade of the most common occurrence of lung malignancy as well as the various blood cancer types. Beyond this are many other types of malignancy.

We can and should remove all ash trays from our homes, from our offices, from hospitals.

We can ask the hospitals to get rid of their cigarette dispensing machines. Many of us are aware of the Roswell Park Hospital campaign in Buffalo, New York. They had all cigarette vending machines removed, and at each place where a machine once stood they put a sign which essentially said, "On this spot there once stood a cigarette vending machine. It was removed, because in good conscience we could not allow to remain that which might be injurious to our friends."

We can put up signs asking our friends and patients not to smoke and remind them of the connection between smoking, malignancy, blood vessel lesions, and others. Who is better fitted to do all this than we, who see cancer when it is early, when it is late, and when it is too late?

—Harold J. Reese, M.D.
President

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Editorial

LAY MEDICAL PUBLICITY — A GROWING MALADY

Medical publicity in the lay press and other public news media has undergone slow evolution into a multi-faceted, poorly understood and generally little recognized situation. The short span between Sir Alexander Fleming's discovery of Penicillin and Michael DeBakey's auxiliary heart pump has seen a profound change in the handling of medical news and the effect it has on the layman. Assuredly, in this day of frequent medical breakthroughs, it is difficult to sift press releases for newsworthiness and scientific accuracy. However current lay medical publicity usually takes one of the following forms.

The most glamorous form of medical publicity usually occurs on the national news media level when a "fantastic breakthrough" is announced. Undoubtedly, the announcement has been preceded by much work by many dedicated people. However at the time of initial human experimentation it is spotlighted in the lay press before proper channeling through the medical community. It is not uncommon for the practicing physician to learn first about these "breakthroughs" in the local newspaper or on television. He is often faced with a situation where he must answer to his patients' queries about a discovery about which he knows little and which is untried and highly experimental. Experimentation under klieg lights is deplorable.

A second form of medical publicity, while not dealing directly with the lay press, is dedicated to stirring up comment and controversy for its own sake. Reference here is made to the large medical centers, usually wholly government run or under subsidation, which flood the medical literature with a constant flow of words, graphs and charts. While the true motives of these men undoubtedly is better medical investigation, we cannot but sense the overtones and undertones that make up the sandwich on which government grants feed. Ultimately this constant display of heavily subsidized investigation leads to a fallacious conclusion on the part of the practicing physician that he cannot accurately diagnose and treat his patient without all this paraphernalia. Pragmatism is highly desirable in the relation of the doctor to his patient. The insecurity of both patient and physician bred by the razzle dazzle is objectionable.

The final form that news of medicine takes is at the local level. Here the press is handling news in two forms. One is the social activity of physicians, and the other deals with medical skills and accomplishments, which may be singular, but usually are the result of team effort. The coming and going of doctors to meetings, etc, while of limited interest, provides some indication of continuing education. Unfortunately not all activities of all doctors are reported, rather this seems to be proportional to the effort expended on the doctor's behalf. Local medical accomplishments usually emanate from the local hospitals. We are fortunate in having excellent public relations offices at both hospitals, which properly handle, check and channel all news related to activities at these institutions. Press releases from the PR offices are dependable; when news is not channelled properly it may be a cause of consternation.

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OSMA ANNUAL MEETING

The Mahoning County Medical Society was represented at the annual meeting of the Ohio State Medical Association in Columbus by four delegates and two alternate delegates. Attending were: Drs. C. W. Stertzbach, L. P. Caccamo, Jack Schreiber, G. E. DeCicco, J. W. Tandatnick and F. A. Friedrich.

Dr. Theodore L. Light of Dayton was unopposed and duly elected president-elect of the Ohio State Medical Association. Dr. Edwin R. Westbrook was re-elected to his third term as Councilor for the Sixth District. An attempt by the Sixth District to elect Dr. James G. Roberts of Akron to the position of alternate delegate to the American Medical Association failed in a close election. He was defeated by Dr. Frank F. A. Rawling of Toledo.

The Mahoning County resolution asking for better representation of non-university affiliated hospitals on the American Medical Association Council on Medical Education was amended by the reference committee and passed.

The Mahoning County Medical Society resolution concerning measles immunizations for school children was watered-down by the reference committee to remove the compulsory clause. Dr. DeCicco spoke on the floor of the House to reinsert the clause as originally written, but his motion was defeated and the amended resolution was adopted.

A complete list of the resolutions in their final form will appear in a future issue of the Journal of the Ohio State Medical Association.

Dr. Caccamo served on one of the resolutions committees. Dr. DeCicco was a member of the nomination committee.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT OSMA MEETING

A number of resolutions adopted at the Ohio State Medical Association House of Delegates meeting in May are of special interest to the members of the Mahoning County Medical Society. The two resolutions submitted by this society came out as follows (the RESOLVED portion only is herein printed):

RESOLUTION NO. 3—RESOLVED, that the House of Delegates of the Ohio State Medical Association, through its delegates to the American Medical Association, recommend to the American Medical Association that, as soon as possible, a change in composition of the American Medical Association Council on Medical Education be instituted to assure more equal representation on the Council by representatives of non-university affiliated hospitals in order to emphasize the teaching of clinical medicine.

RESOLUTION NO. 20—RESOLVED, that the Ohio State Medical Association advocate that all children be immunized against measles at the earliest suitable age.

In view of local interest in the development of an area-wide health planning commission, the following resolution is particularly apt:

RESOLUTION NO. 10—RESOLVED, that the House of Delegates of the Ohio State Medical Association reaffirms its previous position encouraging active physician participation, through their County Medical Societies, on area-wide health care planning boards, with full voting rights, and be it further RESOLVED, that the Council of the Ohio State Medical Association inform each of its members, and the appropriate State and Federal agencies, of the dangers to the public health inherent in the omission of equal physician participation in these programs.

Another resolution calling for more physician representation is the one on hospital governing boards, which reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 13—RESOLVED, that the Ohio State Medical Association recommends that not less than 25% of the voting members of hospital

governing boards be physicians approved by the voting members of the medical staff of said hospital, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the council of the Ohio State Medical Association investigate and take such action as may be appropriate to amend the laws of the State of Ohio to insure such physician representation on hospital governing boards, as is described in this resolution, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the delegates to the American Medical Association of the Ohio State Medical Association request the AMA, at the next session of its House of Delegates, take all possible steps to make 25% physician representation on hospital governing boards a requirement for accreditation by the Joint Commission of Accreditation of Hospitals.

Since the Mahoning County Medical Society is actively engaged in plans to procure a medical school for Youngstown, the following resolution is of interest:

RESOLUTION NO. 9—RESOLVED, that the Ohio State Medical Association continue to recognize its duty in advising and encouraging the government of the State of Ohio to provide adequately for the training of increased numbers of physicians, by instructing the Council of the Ohio State Medical Association to encourage the Ohio General Assembly and the Governor of the State of Ohio to assign top priority to the business of planning for and the beginning of construction of additional medical schools in Ohio by June 1, 1969.

A resolution on Podiatry was reworded to read as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 4—RESOLVED, that the House of Delegates of the Ohio State Medical Association recommend to the Ohio State Legislature that the Medical Practice Act of the State of Ohio be amended to define legally and clearly the technical boundaries of podiatry to determine what podiatrists may be permitted to do in the State of Ohio.

A resolution on Certification was broadened to include all policies and is herein printed in its entirety in order to insure better understanding:

RESOLUTION NO. 18—WHEREAS, there have been instances in Ohio of members of the Ohio State Medical Association being deprived of hospital privileges as a result of strict adherence to the policies laid down by the Ohio State Medical Association, and the American Medical Association, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Ohio State Medical Association established a permanent committee to investigate such instances and devise effective methods of supporting the stand of physicians so affected.

A complete run-down of all resolutions passed at the House of Delegates meeting will be printed in the next issue of the Journal of the Ohio State Medical Association.

CLERGY, PHYSICIANS HEAR MAY SPEAKER

Fifty-five physicians and an almost equal number of clergymen attended the May 16 meeting on medicine and religion to hear Dr. Robert L. Katz, chairman of the department of human relation at Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati.

Dr. Katz emphasized the necessity for individuals facing a crisis to gather strength to see it through. He said that often a person coming through a crisis will benefit from the ordeal and live on a higher level than before. It is the duty of the physician and the clergyman to offer just the right amount of support.

Dr. Katz was introduced by Dr. Sidney M. Berkowitz. In a brief business meeting following the talk, a constitutional amendment was passed to lower the quorum from 20% to 10%. The resolution has been sent to the Ohio State Medical Association for approval.



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PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

May 9, 1967

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, May 9, 1967, at the Mural Room, Youngstown, Ohio.

The following physicians were present: H. J. Reese, President, presiding, Louis Bloomberg, L. P. Caccamo, R. R. Fisher, F. A. Fredrich, R. L. Jenkins, Bertram Katz, R. D. Murray, M. C. Raupple, F. A. Resch, E. T. Saadi, C. W. Stertzbach, J. F. Stotler, J. W. Tandatnick and C. K. Walter. Also present were Drs. H. P. McGregor, Sidney Franklin and M. J. Vuksta. Absent were: G. E. DeCicco, Henry Holden, W. D. Loeser, R. B. McConnell, C. E. Pichette, F. L. Schellhase, Jack Schreiber and R. G. Warnock.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Lucy Whalen, R.N., and Teresa Melillo, R.N. came into the meeting to ask support for H.B. 360, the mandatory licensure bill in the Ohio legislature. Following a question period, they left the meeting.

Dr. Vuksta proposed the following amendment to the resolution on mass examinations which was passed by council at the previous meeting:

AMENDMENT

Resolution — Mass Examinations

Athletic Physical Examinations

In those institutions where an athletic physician is under contract or assigned, a close agreement between the school officials and medical personnel shall work out a suitable arrangement for physical examinations, immunization, and other significant data concerning the capability of the athlete to participate in all organized sports. The examinations should be conducted under proper conditions and acceptable to good medical practice. If the athlete desires a separate examination by his family physician he is entitled to do so.

The standards set up by the Committee of Medical Aspects of Sports of the American Medical Association should be followed:

1. Health examinations prior to participation in all sports each year or one examination at the beginning is adequate for all sports unless an injury or an illness is incurred.

2. The examinations should be designed to elicit the general state of health, to disclose any defects which might contraindicate participation, and to uncover any conditions that might predispose to injury.

The above amendment to be added to Resolution — Mass Examinations, and forwarded to the City and County Boards of Health, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts central office, and other interested agencies, and also that it be published in the Bulletin of the Mahoning County Medical Society.

The motion was made by Dr. Katz and seconded by Dr. Saadi that the amendment be accepted. Following discussion the amendment was defeated by a vote of 7 to 6. Dr. Katz called for another vote, one of the council members having returned to the room. The vote was a tie, 7-7. Dr. Reese cast his vote for the amendment. The motion was passed.

Dr. Franklin presented background concerning a suggested code of cooperation between physicians and lawyers. He asked that the code approved by the Ohio State Medical Association and the Ohio State Bar Association be accepted. It has already been approved by the medical-legal committees of both the Mahoning County Medical Society and the Mahoning County Bar Association. The motion was made by Dr. Fisher, and seconded by Dr. Caccamo, that the code be adopted. The motion was passed.

The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that each bill be paid.

The following applications were presented by the censors and read by the executive secretary:

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Louis P. Alexander, 1100 Belmont Ave., Youngstown

Gene Donald Fry, 26 E. Wilson Ave., Girard

Armand Garcia, 147 N. Main St., Hubbard

The applications were approved. The above applicants will become members of the Mahoning County Medical Society within fifteen days after publication in the Bulletin, unless objection is filed in writing with the secretary during that time.

The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the secretary dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.

The Medical Dental Bureau "any doctor call" report was passed around for every member to see.

The executive secretary reported on disposition of business accruing from the previous council meeting.

A report was made by the executive secretary on the results of the measles campaign. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the report be accepted.

Dr. Jenkins reported that the Scholarship Dinner was very worth while and most successful. He recommended its continuance.

Dr. Reese gave some background on a proposed home care program. Following discussion, the motion was made by Dr. Bloomberg and seconded by Dr. Walter that the president appoint a committee to study the home care program and report its recommendations to council at the next meeting. Motion was passed.

Dr. Bloomberg made the motion, seconded by Dr. Jenkins, that the medical society endorse the mandatory licenture bill for nurses. Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the motion be tabled. The secretary was requested to notify the nurses of council action.

A letter was read from Dr. R. W. Fenton asking that an honorarium be sent to the American Legion Post at Lake Milton for the use of their facilities in the measles campaign. The motion was made by Dr. Resch, seconded by Dr. Tandatnick, that \$25 be sent. Motion was passed.

A letter was read from the city health commissioner commending the medical society on the measles campaign.

Letters were read from George B. Byrum and Charles P. Henderson, members of the Board of Trustees of Blue Cross concerning separate billing for radiologists.

A letter was read from Dr. Berg and Dr. Weiss, addressed to Blue Cross concerning recent steps in separate billing for radiologists. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that a letter be set to Dr. Berg, with a carbon copy to Mr. Morgan, endorsing the principles set forth in the letter.

Dr. McGregor asked for council guidance in proposing a constitutional amendment to assign a number of members to each council member for direct representation in council affairs. Council agreed to go ahead with the plan without an amendment at this time. It was suggested that the idea of making attendance mandatory for new members be brought up at the June meeting of the Medical Society.

It was noted that the following delegates and alternates would be attending the House of Delegates meeting in Columbus: Drs. Stertzbach, Cacamio, DeCicco, Schreiber, Tandatnick and Friedrich.

Dr. Stertzbach reported on delegate consideration of resolutions for the state meeting.

Dr. Tandatnick made the motion, properly seconded, that the menu for meals at council be expanded but that the cost to council members remain the same. Motion was passed.

Meeting was adjourned.

—Howard Rempes
Executive Secretary

NEW ACTIVE MEMBERS

Dr. Domenic Malta, an Anesthesiologist, was born at Maierato, Italy, on Sept. 19, 1927. He attended high school at Vibo-Valentia and both college and medical school at the University of Bologna. His medical degree was conferred in 1958.

Dr. Malta interned at Pittsburgh Hospital, 1959-60. From 1963 to 1965, he held residencies at Allegheny General Hospital and at St. Elizabeth Hospital. He joined Bel-Park Anesthesia Associates in April of 1965.

Dr. Malta is a recent bridegroom, having married the former Judith Ann Nething in August of 1966. They live at 1310 Fifth Ave. Dr. Malta's hobbies are photography and travel.



Dr. Juan A. Ruiz, an Internist, was born at Moca, Dominican Republic, on June 22, 1934. He attended high school and college at Santo Domingo, and received his medical degree in 1957 from the University of Santo Domingo.



He interned with the Youngstown Hospital Association, 1958-59. He was a resident in Internal Medicine at Youngstown Hospital, 1959-61, and at St. Elizabeth Hospital, 1961-62. He had a Cardio-Pulmonary Fellowship at St. Elizabeth Hospital, 1962-63; a Cardiology Fellowship at St. Vincent Charity Hospital in Cleveland, 1963-64, and a Peripheral Vascular Disease Fellowship at Cleveland Clinic, 1964-65.

He entered practice in 1965 in association with Dr. L. P. Caccamo at 2111 Belmont Ave. In 1966, he opened his own office at 318 Fifth Ave.

Dr. Ruiz' father, Atty. Manuel Riuz Tejada, was appointed chief justice of the Dominican Republic in 1966. He was long active in public affairs, having been Secretary of Education, and also Professor of Real Estate Law at the University of Santo Domingo.

Dr. Ruiz is co-author of several published papers: (1) Garritano, N, Ruiz, J. and Caccamo, L. P., Intrinsicoid Deflection of Premature Ventricular Systoles as a Criterion of Abnormality, Medical Times, Vol. 93, No. 6:603-08, June, 1965 (2) E. Buonocore, J. R. Young, E. G. Bevin and J. A. Ruiz-Oleaga, Symptomatic Lymph Leakage After Surgery, JAMA, Vol.-193: 1058-1059, Sept. 20, 1965 (3) Wegner, M., Ruiz, J., and Caccamo, L. P., The Social Worker in the Private Practice of Internal Medicine, Arch. Int. Med., Vol. 118: 347-350, Oct., 1966.

Dr. Ruiz married the former Marilyn Vale in 1958 and they have five children, Dalinda, Lorraine, John, Denise and Robert. They live at 4248 Kerrybrook Drive.



MEMBERS ON TV SPECIALS

"Cancer Status of Today" was the subject of two "Spotlight" programs over WFMJ-TV. Appearing on the program on Sunday, May 28, were Dr. John J. McDonough, Dr. C. E. Pichette, Dr. E. A. Shorten and Dr. John F. Stotler. On the program, Sunday, June 4, were Dr. Robert J. Bocker, Dr. R. D. Murray, Dr. F. L. Schellhase and Dr. M. M. Yarmy. Both programs were heard at 3:30 p.m., over channel 21. Mitch Stanley was moderator.

From the Bulletin



THIRTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1937

At the scientific meeting that month papers were presented in competition by local internes. Prizes were won by S. W. Ondash and C. H. Cronick.

The death of Dr. J. A. Sherbondy was announced. He was the town's leading surgeon and a master of technique. In his hands the most difficult operations appeared easy. Nothing ever ruffled his calm and poised manner. Many of our prominent people today owe their lives to his skill.

The Bulletin urged doctors to form a group for carrying hospitalization insurance. Dr. James Brown was studying surgery at the New York Polyclinic. Peter Boyle was back from Europe. B. M. Bowman became a member of the Society.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — JUNE 1947

Dr. J. W. Conn from the University of Michigan addressed the Society that month on "Hyperinsulinism". He listed as causes 1. Imbalance of the autonomic nervous system, 2. Gastric surgery, 3. Renal Glycosuria, 4. Lactation and 5. Severe continuous muscular work.

Dr. W. W. Ryall was honored by the Society on the completion of fifty years in practice. Paul Mahar was taking post-graduate work at New York Post-graduate. W. E. Sovik was studying ophthalmology in Detroit.

Francis Stotler, M. C. Raupple, J. J. Sofranec and Paul E. Krupko became members of the Society.

The Associated Hospital Service was organized and was offering the doctors and their families 21 days of hospital care per year at \$6.50 per day for a semi-private room.

President McKelvey was urging everybody to work for the charter amendment providing for a full time Health Commissioner and a Board of Health. The morticians were giving serious consideration to discontinuing ambulance service.

W. J. Tims and J. K. Herald were in New York studying proctology. Martin Conti was home from Pearl Harbor after a tour of duty in the Aiea Naval Hospital.

TEN YEARS AGO — JUNE 1957

President Ondash wrote: It would be well to remember that it takes years to make a friend and only one word to make an enemy and medical men are not beyond having more friends."

Editor Pichette told the doctors to practice what they preach about proper diet, adequate rest and periodic physical examinations. He recommended that when each member sees his name in the "Happy Birthday" column it should remind him to get his own health inventory.

Chain reaction: Dr. and Mrs. Elmer Wenaas have moved into their new home; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Spencer (Peggy Monroe, daughter of the late Dr. F. F. Monroe) have purchased the Wenaas house; Mrs. F. F. Monroe has acquired the Spencer house, and Dr. and Mrs. Dean Stillson bought Mrs. Monroe's house.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Evans were in Washington, D. C. recently where Dr. Evans attended the Sixth International Congress of Otolaryngology which was opened by Vice-President Richard Nixon. Physicians from the entire free world were present and Dr. Evans presented a paper on "The Continuing Clinical Study of Local Treatment of Allergic Rhinitis." Dena completed a successful year as President of the Ohio State Medical Auxiliary.

S. W. Chiasson opened an office in the Bel-Park Bldg. after serving two years as Chief of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Valley Forge Army Hospital.

Arnouldus Goudsmit was elected the first president of the new Ohio Society of Internal Medicine. Leonard Caccamo was elected secretary.

New members that month were: Herman Allen, James Sofranec, Donald Bernat and Robert Warnock.

John McDonough was conducting an active campaign to secure a Board of Health for Youngstown with a full time Health Commissioner. He made it.

—J. L. F.

PHYSICIANS ON RADIO AND TV

Taking part in the "Diagnosis" radio program during the month of May were:

- May 2 "Mental Health Week" Dr. Robert Hamlich
- May 9 "Cancer of breast" Dr. D. J. Dallis, Dr. John J. McDonough
- May 16 "Immunizations" Dr. B. Patrick Brucoli

All programs are heard over WFMJ at 8:05 p.m. each Tuesday. They are recorded at 9:30 a.m. on the same day. Any physician interested in presenting a topic on "Diagnosis" should contact the Medical Society office or Dr. McDonough, chairman.

The following members appeared on the WYTV television program, "Dateline-Youngstown" during May:

- May 4: "Vocational Rehabilitation," Dr. R. L. Jenkins
- May 11: "Emergencies," Dr. Frank Morrison
- May 25: "Sex Education," Dr. F. A. Resch

All programs were heard live at 9:30 a.m. over channel 33.

BULLETIN CALENDAR

June 10 through July 15, 1967

- June 10 8:00 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting, St. Elizabeth Hospital
- June 13 6:30 p.m. Mahoning County Medical Society Council, Mural Room
- June 14 4:30 p.m. Tumor Conference, North Side Nurses Home
- June 15 8:00 a.m. CPC, Hitchcock Auditorium, Youngstown Hospital
- 1:00 p.m. Medical VP., B. Fleshler, M.D., Gastroenteritis, Aud. #1, St. Elizabeth Hospital
- June 20 6:30 p.m. Mahoning County Medical Society, Mural Room
- June 22 6:30 p.m. Interns and Residents Farewell Party, St. Elizabeth Hosp.
- June 27 6:00 p.m. Medical Executive Committee, North Side Coffee Shop
- June 28 4:30 p.m. Tumor Conference, Hitchcock Auditorium, Youngstown Hospital
- June 29 8:00 a.m. Rx Treatment Chronic Renal Failure, Hitchcock Aud., Youngstown Hospital
- July 1 8:00 a.m. Surgical Section, Aud. #1, St. Elizabeth Hospital
- July 4 7:30 p.m. Section Meetings, St. Elizabeth Hospital
- July 6 8:00 a.m. Section Meetings, Youngstown Hospital
- 8:30 a.m. Pediatric Section, 6 West Conference Room, St. Elizabeth Hospital
- July 8 8:00 a.m. Executive Committee, St. Elizabeth Hospital

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE MAHONING COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY 1966 - 1967 ANNUAL REPORT

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Mahoning County Medical Society had an active and busy year. Rather than attempting a chronological recording of events, I will highlight the activities of different committees; noting both their successes and their difficulties.

Our paid MEMBERSHIP as of May 27th is 250 with a potential of approximately 290. This year we received eleven new members. We honored them at our opening meeting and tea in September. They were each asked to give a brief autobiography. One of our biggest "headaches" of the year was to find ways to attract and retrieve "old" members who had failed to renew their membership. Several have rejoined and many, some of whom were charter members, have since taken on new activities and we could not interest.

Our efforts on HEALTH CAREERS has been as concentrated as ever. The Canfield Fair Health Career committee repaired and repainted the booth. The pamphlets that were distributed were received from many Health Agencies, Life Insurance companies and National Health Career Schools. This year approximately 70,000 people toured the Medical Tent at the Fair; many stopping at our Career Booth for information. The State Health Career chairman requested our County to bring a display to Fall Conference concerning our Booth at the Fair. The committee designed a 4x6 hinged display board with photographs and pamphlets. On March 18th a Tri-County Science Fair was held. The Auxiliary, beginning this year, awarded a \$25 Savings Bond to the girl who had the best project in Biology or Chemistry most closely related to Nursing. The winner was Miss Carol Palumbo of Hubbard High School on her project, "The Harmful Effects of Smoking". We hope to use this project for a display at the Fair in September. Two Nursing students, one from St. Elizabeth Hospital and one from Youngstown University, will each accept a Scholarship of \$450 (Conditional Contract Loan). April 22 was designated as Health Career Day at Northside Hospital. Due to the variance of vacation schedules of the schools throughout the county, we were forced to schedule the tour on a Saturday. Although this was not the ideal day, 90 students participated in the tour. "Horizons Unlimited" was distributed by the Medical Society to all the schools and several requests were made to our Auxiliary for the Health Career booklets that were made available to the schools last year.

The A.M.A.-E.R.F. committee began in July to launch the General Christmas Card Program. We had a few that were interested in the Medallion Cards but the emphasis was placed on informing our members of the General Card. A letter was sent to all members in August (a time when many would be buying Christmas cards from other companies). The Auxiliary had agreed to underwrite the program (mailing the information letter, cost of typing the card, printing of the names on the card and mailing). The cost was \$83.91. The total amount raised from the General Christmas card and the annual contributions to individual Medical Schools totaled \$1800. (\$80 was received from the commission on the sale of the Medallion Cards). This amount was an increase of \$700 from the previous year.

One of the highlights of the fall included a meeting on LEGISLATION at which time Mrs. Harry L. Fry, our State Legislative chairman spoke to us on "Debatable Diagnosis-Questionable Cure". This meeting was open to guests and we extended invitations to all the professional auxiliaries in the area. Many individuals were active in the political campaigns and an Auxiliary member was elected a State Committee-woman.

During November the INTERNATIONAL HEALTH Committee, with the cooperation of volunteer members, distributed 190 Diabetes posters and 177 Diabetes Kits. At the same time they collected 2875 pounds (123 boxes and 2 barrels) of sample drugs that were sent to World Medical Relief in Detroit.

Almost simultaneously we were asked to help with publicity and the sale of Art Festival tickets for the benefit of PROJECT HOPE. Dr. John McDonough organized the Festival, but we, as an auxiliary were proud to know that we had helped in a small way to raise \$10,000 for the HOPE. It was voted at a Board meeting in January that we obtain an organizational membership in PROJECT HOPE. "Christmas Party Project" for the Queen of Peace Orphanage in Saigon, South Viet Nam was organized by a local group but our Auxiliary, along with other professional auxiliaries, provided health care items to 50 orphan children.

December brought our annual COMMUNITY SERVICE volunteers to the Tuberculosis Center to help count the money received from the sale of Christmas seals. Measles Week the end of April brought 38 volunteers into action to help with the clerical work involved in the Measles Vaccine Inoculations.

In January, the plans having been in the making since July, the Mahoning County Medical Society and the Mahoning County Chapter of General Practice sponsored a Symposium on Cancer Therapy made possible by a grant from and with the cooperation of the Lederle Laboratories. Approximately 250 doctors and their wives attended. Many of the wives were present during the scientific meetings; for those who were not, a display and lecture on Oriental Rugs was presented. We were honored to have our State President, Mrs. James Wychgel and Dr. Wychgel with us for the day.

February was the time for frivolity when the Medical Society and the Auxiliary attended their annual dinner-dance at Squaw Creek Country Club.

A panel discussion on MENTAL HEALTH entitled "Behavior Problems as a Result of Physical Inadequacies" was held in April. Our panel members included a General Practitioner, a Cardiologist, a School Psychologist and the Director of the Speech and Hearing Center. Invitations were sent to 150 PTA and professional auxiliary groups as well as our own members.

A three year pledge of \$500 was made to the Child Guidance Center in 1966. This year we have authorized the Clinic to purchase equipment and supplies amounting to \$200. Our 1966 three year pledge of \$1000 to the Combined Hospital Building Fund will be honored again this year for \$335.

Throughout the year our SAFETY Chairman has been a member and has attended the Safety Council meetings. A Home Safety Workshop provided literature that was distributed to our members at the April general meeting. A film on Power Lawn Mower Safety will hopefully be presented on television through the efforts of our Safety Chairman and the auspices of the Safety Council.

We are proud of our Auxiliary members as they take part, not only in Auxiliary committee work, but also serving the community as Volunteers or Board members of local social and health agencies, YWCA, hospitals, political groups and churches.

May 22nd was Installation of the newly elected officers for 1967-1968. Our new Sixth District Director, Mrs. Louis Loria of Trumbull County was with us to install the officers.

President	Mrs. Sanford Weiss
President-Elect	Mrs. Sam Petraglia
Vice-President	Mrs. Henry Holden
Treasurer	Mrs. William Martin
Recording Secretary	Mrs. George Dietz
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. Elias Saadi

The year 1967 ended the twenty-sixth year as an Auxiliary. It has indeed been a privilege to work with each one of you. I want to thank each Board member, her dependable committees and a cooperative membership for a year I will long remember.

Respectfully submitted,
Maryella Ruth (Mrs. Paul E.)
President, Mahoning County Medical
Auxiliary, 1966-1967

C.I.S.V.

This year Youngstown is strengthening its International Exchange Programs by again having a Children's International Summer Village, (better known as C.I.S.V.) from July 16 to August 13 at the Boardman Junior High School. Four eleven-year-olds plus an adult from each of the following countries will participate: Japan, Philippines, Costa Rica, Argentina, Canada, Norway, Italy, Germany, Belgium, and an American delegation from Philadelphia.

This plan for sharing a camp experience was conceived by Dr. Doris Allen of Cincinnati, Ohio, who reasoned that the way to eliminate racial prejudice and international distrust was to bring children of races and countries together into a circle of friendship and mutual interest before they were old enough to have prejudice. By working and playing together and exchanging ideas, they could build life-long friendships with children in other lands. Dr. Allen chose children of the age of eleven because they are old enough to be independent and emotionally stable, but not old enough to have formed fixed opinions regarding social groups or races.

After Dr. Allen spoke here in 1962 at the Mahoning County Medical Auxiliary, a Youngstown Chapter was formed. For the past five years, students from this area have gone to similar villages held elsewhere in the world. During this time some parents, brothers, sisters, and other friends of these "villagers" have visited the U.S., particularly Youngstown, Ohio, and many exciting and lasting friendships have been made by both children and adults.

Many of you doctors contributed generously to our first Village held in 1964 at Christ Mission Camp where students and adults from ten different countries shared experiences for a month. We are asking your help again to meet the budget necessary for holding this camp. Industrial concerns and businesses are donating money as well as services, supplies, etc. The C.I.S.V. is a non-profit organization and your donation is tax-deductible. Every dollar of your contribution goes directly to the support of this summer village. Donations may be sent to Mrs. Paul Romack, Treasurer of C.I.S.V. 2713 South Schenley Ave., Youngstown, Ohio. Won't you please help us to improve America's image and international understanding by aiding this "person to person" effort. We need all the friends we can make!

—Dean Stillson, M.D.

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VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION TAKES OVER STROKE REHABILITATION PROGRAM

As of June 30th the Heart Association of Eastern Ohio is phasing out of the Stroke Rehabilitation Program. This program has been functioning for five years. Initially set up as a pilot study, it has ultimately reached a peak of utilization in 1966 with 191 new patients, 447 hospital calls, and almost 1,400 home calls. In the Mahoning County area the program has been implemented in the past two years by the Visiting Nurses Association personnel trained in rehabilitative techniques by Heart Association nurses. Financial support, however, has been provided by the Heart Association of Eastern Ohio.

With the program well developed and widely utilized in Trumbull, Mahoning and Columbiana counties, the Heart Association of Eastern Ohio is now in the process of withdrawing funding of the project. The Visiting Nurses Association will continue to offer these services on a fee per patient basis upon the request of the referring physician. The Visiting Nurse Coordinator will be available to make initial visits on the patients while they are still hospitalized following a stroke. They will then be picked up at home and their therapy will be continued there.

It is hoped that good utilization of this well established service will continue, because it has proven of real value in the rehabilitation of stroke patients. All that is required is the physicians referral to the Visiting Nurse Association and the patient will be taken into the program. Plan B of Medicare will assist in financing many of your patients and the others will be charged on the basis of their financial abilities by the Visiting Nurses Association.

—William H. Bunn, Jr., M.D.

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Why try to fake beauty, when we know it aint.
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Why none of the bosses even know our right names.
We just work at our tables from eight to five
We don't like our jobs, but it keeps us alive.
When the day's work is over no car waits for us
We run like the devil to catch the last bus.
When we crawl into bed, we don't pray at length
We make only one plea: "God give us the strength."
We see the young girls as they trip gaily by
We watch without envy, but we can't help but sigh
For the days that are gone, they could have been worse
They're beginninn life's song, but we're on the last verse.
So call us the "Biddies" and "Old Hens" if you will
We've done a good job and are doing it still.
As long as we work, and work a-plenty
They don't care if we're sixty or twenty.

—Anonymous

BULLETIN BOARD

At the recent meeting of the Ohio State Heart Association, Dr. Angelo Riberi was elected a trustee to represent the Eastern Area of Ohio. Dr. W. H. Bunn was re-elected to the Board.

Dr. Armin Banez has announced the association of Dr. Ramon Banez and Dr. Armand Garcia at 510 Gypsy Lane.

Dr. A. E. Rappoport recently took part in a training film highlighting the first IBM 1080 Laboratory Data Acquisition system in the world.

Both hospitals are now providing news information for their employees and staff. The St. Elizabeth Hospital News-Letter is edited by John Gillespie. The YHA Observer is edited by Gene Springer.

An article on the social worker in the private physician's office, authored by Dr. L. P. Caccamo, Dr. J. A. Ruiz and Mrs. Kurt Wegner, was reprinted in a recent issue of Medical Tribune.

Dr. John Melnick was invited to give a paper at the Inter-Urban Arthritis Society meeting in Toronto in May. His paper was entitled "Early Findings in Rheumatoid Arthritis, and Technique of Fine Bone Detail Studies."

The Ohio Tuberculosis and Health Association magazine, Horizons, in the March issue, featured breathing classes conducted at St. Elizabeth Hospital. Drs. Elias Saadi and Michael Vuksta were photographed at work with those in attendance.

Mahoning County and the Sixth District figured prominently at the Gaslight Party attended by 800 persons at the OSMA annual meeting. Dr. W. E. Maine won a bottle of champagne in the go-go dancing contest. Dr. R. E. Tschantz won a similar prize for finding the yellow garter.

Dr. Morris Rosenblum and Dr. Alfred Cukerbaum were elected to the board of governors of the Mahoning County chapter of the Ohio State University Alumni Association at a meeting in May.

Roberta Kuebler, 1967 winner of the Mahoning County Medical Society scholarship and trophy at the Austintown Fitch Science Fair, has gone on to further honors. She won superior awards at the Kent Science Fair and at the Ohio State Science Fair, and recently won second prize in biology at the Geneva College Science Fair. Her exhibit is on "Nutritional Studies of Corn."

Dr. Bernard Schneider was re-elected 2nd vice president of Rodef Sholom Temple at their annual meeting.

The Ohio Hotel has resumed its Thursday evening buffet dinners designed originally for the benefit of doctors and dentists and which have proven to be very popular. The hours are from 5 to 9 p.m. and the hotel bar is also open. Generous helpings of beef, chicken and ham and a variety of vegetables and condiments with dessert and soup or juice make it an attractive family meal at a reasonable price. Surrounding parking lots adjacent to the hotel make parking no problem.

The following physicians were elected at a recent meeting of the delegate assembly of the Health and Welfare Council: Dr. S. D. Goldberg and Dr. F. S. Coombs were elected to the budget committee. Dr. W. P. Young was elected both as a delegate-at-large and to the Board of Trustees of the Community Corporation.

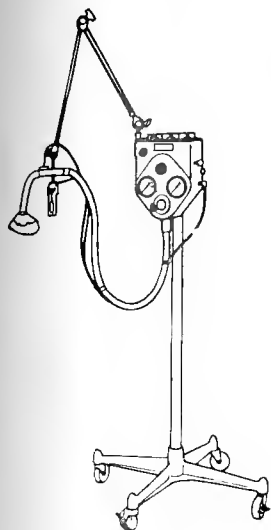
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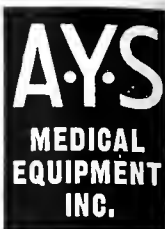
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MEDICAL-DENTAL BUREAU ELECTS OFFICERS

Dr. Vernon L. Goodwin was elected to the office of president of the Medical-Dental Bureau at the annual meeting on May 10. Other officers are: Dr. Sidney L. Davidow, vice-president; Dr. Frank K. Inui, secretary, Dr. Joseph J. Sofranec, treasurer, Dr. Robert V. C. Carr, assistant treasurer and Dr. Raymond A. Hall, counselor. James B. Herald was named executive director.

Named to the board of trustees-directors were Drs. Armin V. Banez, Robert C. Bitonte, Louis Bloomberg, John C. Tisone, and the officers of the Bureau. Also on the board is Carl M. Wolter, representing the Credit Bureau of Youngstown, Inc.

Speaker at the meeting was Kenneth C. Evans, executive director of the Columbus Bureau of Medical Economics.

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June 16

M. J. Sunday

June 18

P. L. Boyle

H. E. Hathhorn

June 19

C. W. Stertzbach

June 22

M. A. Kachmer

J. A. Ruiz

June 23

J. J. McDonough

J. A. Patrick

H. A. Smith

R. L. Thomas

June 24

M. C. Raupple

J. K. Altier

June 28

W. S. Curtis

R. A. Hall

June 30

A. V. Banez

July 2

E. Weltman

I. Mendel

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F. S. Coombs

July 5

F. A. Miller

July 6

M. M. Kendall

M. L. Fok

July 9

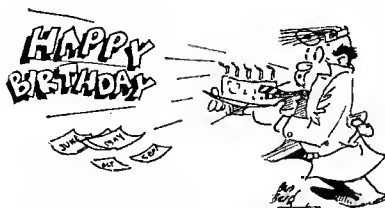
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July 13

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TWO MEMBERS HEAD STATE ORGANIZATIONS

Dr. W. E. Sovik was elected chairman of the section of Ophthalmology of the Ohio State Medical Association at the annual meeting in Columbus. He had previously held the office of secretary.

Dr. L. P. Caccamo was re-elected to the office of president of the Ohio Society of Internal Medicine at the annual meeting in Columbus.

GP MAY MEETING

General Practitioners attended a lecture, workshop and practice session on the subject of "Repair of Laceration" at the May 23 meeting of the Mahoning Chapter of the Ohio Academy of General Practice.

Dr. George H. Dietz was the speaker and conducted the workshop, with practice being performed on pig's feet. The meeting was held at Hitchcock Auditorium. Program was arranged by Dr. F. A. Friedrich.

TWO COMMITTEES APPOINTED

Two new committees have been appointed by the president and will function for the remainder of this year and longer if necessary.

Dr. Louis Bloomberg has been appointed chairman of the Welfare Fund Committee. Members are Dr. S. D. Goldberg and Dr. Raul A. Hernandez. The committee will implement the resolution passed by the medical society calling for an assessment to establish a fund to help out needy members and their families.

Dr. L. S. Shensa has been appointed chairman of a Home Care Committee. Members are Dr. W. H. Bunn, Dr. F. S. Coombs and Dr. R. M. Kiskaddon. The committee is studying a recently proposed home care program for this area.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT BULLETIN

APRIL, 1967

	Resident		Non-Resident		Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Births	97	86	127	122	432
Deaths	81	58	70	64	273
Infant Deaths	3	1	2	1	7

APRIL, 1966

Births	98	121	161	139	519
Deaths	86	71	65	52	274
Infant Deaths	5	2	1	2	10

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

	1967		1966	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Tuberculosis	5	2	8	1
Gonorrhea	28	0	24	0
Syphilis	28	0	16	0
Rheumatic Fever	2	0	0	0

VENEREAL DISEASES

	Male	Female
New Cases		
Syphilis	2	0
Gonorrhea	15	12
Total		29
Total number of visits (patients)		124

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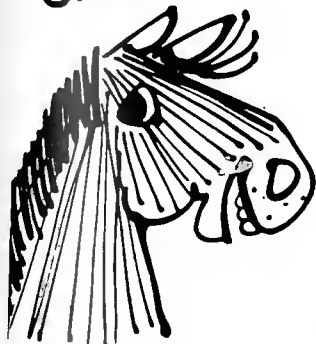
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